## LEGAL NOTICE

**CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF** PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF **GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED** PERSON PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, Section 5-304 Docket No: ES18P1288GD **Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Essex Probate and Family Court 36 Federal Street** Salem MA, 01970 In the matter of: Kathleen Flaherty Of: Wakefield, MA RESPONDENT Alleged Incapacitated Person To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by DMH c/o Office of the General Counsel of Westborough, MA in the above captioned matter alleging that Kathleen Flaherty is in need of a Guardian and requesting that (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve Without Surety on the bond. The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority.

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 AM on the return date of 05/30/2018. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the abovenamed person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the abovenamed person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense. WITNESS, Hon. Jennifer M.R. Ulwick, First Justice of this Court. Date: April 25, 2018 Pamela Casey O'Brien, Register of Probate WDI

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